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May 17, 2016

"MAY IS MENTAL HEALTH MONTH"

Mental illness affects one in five Americans every year, and co-occurrence of mental illness and substance abuse is a significant concern that requires integrated mental health treatment.

The County of Los Angeles has made a commitment to community-based systems of mental health care for all residents. Mental health is a fundamental component of general health and indispensable to personal well-being, family and interpersonal relationships, and societal interactions.

The Los Angeles County Mental Health Commission and the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health have joined the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors in a focused effort to raise awareness and understanding of mental health and mental illness during the month of May 2016. There will be a series of educational and entertaining events all over Los Angeles County hosted by our clinics and contract agencies.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors proclaim the month of May 2016 as "May is Mental Health Month" throughout the County of Los Angeles.

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